New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Historic Preservation Office

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID:

-81365927

Property Name:14 Prospect StreetOwnership:PrivateAddress:14 Prospect STApartment #:ZIP:08512

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:Municipality:Local Place Name:USGS Quad:Block:Lot:MIDDLESEXCranbury townshipCranburyHightstown2815

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number: NRIS Number: HABS/HAER Number:

Description:

14 Prospect Street is a one-and-one-half-story-tall, three-bay-wide, frame dwelling constructed circa 1950 in the Minimal Traditional style. The dwelling consists of a side-gabled main block with a one-and-one-half-story, front-gabled addition extending from the primary (northwest) elevation (built circa 2000), and two, circa-2000, gable-roof additions extending from the rear (southeast) elevation. A one-story, hipped-roof addition, also built around 2000, is located on the rear elevation of the southernmost rear addition. A gabled dormer with a six-over-six, vinyl-sash replacement window pierces the northwest slope of the main block. Asphalt shingles cover the roof throughout. An exterior, concrete block chimney is located on the southwest elevation of the main block, and another exterior parged chimney is located on the northeast elevation. The exterior of the dwelling is clad in vinyl siding, and windows are all single and paired, six-over-six, vinyl-sash replacement units. Inoperable, vinyl paneled shutters flank some of the windows on the primary elevation. Projecting from the two northernmost bays of the primary elevation, the front-gabled wing features a rectangular bay window with a shed roof in the northern bay and the primary entrance to the dwelling in the southern bay. The entrance contains a nine-light, wood paneled door and is sheltered by a front-gabled portico with vinyl Doric columns. Both the northeast and southwest elevations of the dwelling have asymmetrical fenestration and are mostly obscured by heavy vegetation. The rear elevation of the dwelling and the circa-2000 rear additions were not visible from the public right-of-way.

A modern shed stands in the southeast corner of the property.

History: 14 Prospect Street was constructed circa 1950 and is an example of a mid-twentieth-century, Minimal Traditional-style dwelling in Cranbury. The subject property was purchased by William and Mary Finnegan in 1949 and the dwelling was constructed the following year (Middlesex County Clerk's Office 1949 Deed Book 1459:497; United States Bureau of the Census [US Census] 1950). The 1950 federal census lists William, Mary, and their three children as residents of the subject dwelling, with William employed as a machinist (US Census 1950). The dwelling first appears on a 1953 aerial photograph, depicting only the side-gabled main block (Nationwide Environmental Title Research [NETR] 1953). Throughout the second half of the twentieth century, the dwelling underwent little to no alterations (NETR 1963, 1979, 1987, 1995). Around 2000, several additions were added to the primary and rear elevations of the main block and the siding and windows were also likely replaced around this time (NETR 1995, 2002).

Setting:

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14 Prospect Street is sited on a roughly rectangular-shaped parcel (Block 28, Lot 15) located on the southeast side Prospect Street in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The dwelling is oriented with its primary elevation facing northwest and is set back approximately 18 feet from the road. A stone paver driveway extends east from Prospect Street and leads to the northwest elevation of the dwelling. Mature trees and shrubs are planted within close proximity to the dwelling. The subject dwelling is located in a residential neighborhood surrounded by properties generally dating from the mid-nineteenth to the late twentieth centuries.

Registration and Status Dates:

National Historic Landmark?:

National Register: 9/18/1980 New Jersey Register: 8/9/1979

Local Designation: 9/26/1988

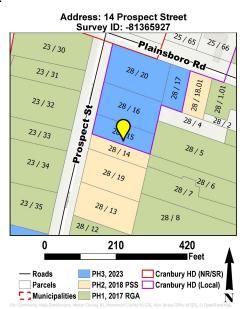
Determination of Eligibility: 3/25/1977 Other Designation:
Certification of Eligibility: Other Designation Date:

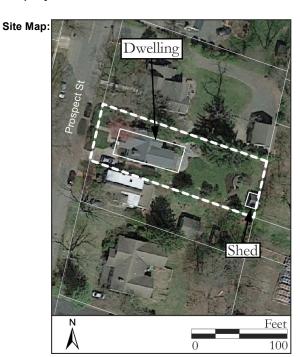
Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey?

☐ Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?

SHPO Opinion:

Location Map:





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United States Bureau of the Census [US Census]	Population Schedule, Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey.	1950		

Additional Information:

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to its date of construction. More Research Needed? (checked=Yes) INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY: Attachments Included: 0 Building 0 Bridge 0 Structure 0 Landscape 0 Object 0 Industry **Historic District? District Name:** Cranbury Historic District Status: Non Contributing Associated Archeological Site/Deposits? (known or potential sites. If Yes, please describe briefly) 1202_28_15 Conversion Problem? ConversionNote:

Richard Grubb & Associates, Inc. recommends 14 Prospect Street as a non-contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District due

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Date form completed:

6/21/2023

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PROPERTY REPORT: PHOTO CONTINUATION SHEET

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Photo 3

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